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## Comptroller Officer Assignments

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A whirlwind of activity is just quieting down here at AFPC as the summer assignment cycle moves behind us. Over 200 FM officers will rotate during the June - August 2001 cycle as we move the CY01 FM CCs, Air Staff and MAJCOM members, joint duty officers, and PME students. Since we have recently received a multitude of questions regarding the assignment cycles under Air Force Assignment System (AFAS), we are including the following chart as a reminder:

Requirements Determination	Visibility	Assignment Match	Reporting Date
Nov	Dec	Jan-Mar	Jun-Aug
Feb	Mar	Apr-Jun	Sep-Nov
May	Jun	Jul-Sep	Dec-Feb
Aug	Sep	Oct-Dec	Mar-May

The new electronic Vulnerable Move List (VML), online 1 February 2001, will assist MAJCOMs, field commanders, and requisition managers in coordinating vulnerable movers/requirements during the reporting dates depicted in this chart. For the first time, MAJCOMs and units will receive an electronic list of all members slated to move during the next assignment cycle. From this interactive list, VML POCs can now add or remove individuals from the VML, coordinate reclamas, and submit requisitions for backfills. Although there are some kinks to be worked out, this new web tool will save time and should prove invaluable in managing your vulnerable movers and required backfills!

We also want to continue emphasizing that career-broadening assignments provide an excellent opportunity to broaden your Air Force experience. Each assignment cycle we receive several career broadening assignments (levies) that we must fill based on our fair share of officers we are required to have outside of the 65F core. These levy jobs range from OTS/SOS instructor duty to Plans and

Programming positions. If you are interested in a career broadening tour, please give us a call. Knowing your broadening desires helps us bid on specific positions to fill each cycle.

In addition to assigning our FM officers, we have welcomed 85 new 2Lts into the FM career field since October 2000. These accessions come from OTS, ROTC, and the Air Force Academy commissioning sources. We have assigned a new 2Lt to almost every FM unit within the past year. It is extremely important that we fully train these accessions, and allow them to hold challenging, fulfilling FM positions. These young officers are the future of the Air Force and our FM career field. By ensuring these officers feel they are successfully contributing to our Air Force mission we can convince them to stay on active duty and help increase our critical retention rates.

Finally, we have received several calls regarding AFIT and our Cost Analysis degree. We have almost succeeded in filling the Academic Year (AY) 01 AFIT billets. Capt McColgan is still working the last few—and many members have already contacted her with questions regarding the AY02 program. We have a total of thirteen AY02 AFIT slots. Our goal is to fill these slots by October 2001. It is not too early to give us a call if you are interested in one of the AY02 AFIT degree slots. Please contact Capt Lisa McColgan, DSN 665-2304 x3, for additional AFIT information.

Don't forget that we really look forward to your calls! You make our job much easier by letting us know your career goals and assignment desires. Stay on top of the annotated assignment timelines, and there's no doubt you'll be prepared for your next move. We're here to help you in every way we can. Don't hesitate to call!

